

artsnews

January – April 2012

Carlsbad Friends of the Art

Enriching the lives of your family and community

There's an extensive – and well-rounded – arts program going on here in Carlsbad. And much of it is supported by the Carlsbad Friends of the Arts, a non-profit organization run by a dedicated volunteer Board of Directors. The money raised by the Friends comes from two main sources: the Opportunity Drawings at TGIF Jazz and membership dues. When you become a member of the Friends, you help ensure that your entire family has access to valuable cultural programs here in Carlsbad, programs such as:

- TGIF Jazz in the Parks concerts
- Three-Part-Art: the nationally recognized arts education program for school groups
- Family Open Studios art-making events
- Cannon Art Gallery opening receptions
- Art at Jazz

In addition, when you become a member of the Friends, you will continue to receive this informative newsletter, plus mailed announcements for all new Cannon Art Gallery exhibitions, and discounts on tickets to various programs and merchandise.

Best of all, as a CFA member, you will be helping to keep the arts alive and thriving in your community. But your support is vital. The tax-deductible dues are only \$25 per year. It's so little to help so much. Please join today.

Yes, I want to help keep the arts alive and thriving in Carlsbad.

☐ \$25 new annual membership

☐ \$25 membership renewal

☐ I want to contribute an additional \$_____ to support the arts in Carlsbad.

Name(s) to appear on membership card

Street address

City

State

Zip

Phone

E-mail

Make check payable to the Carlsbad Friends of the Arts.

Mail with membership form to: Carlsbad Friends of the Arts
1200 Carlsbad Village Dr., Carlsbad, CA 92008. **THANK YOU!**



Programs

Opera Previews Return for 12th Season

Opera Previews

Saturdays at 10 a.m. • FREE
Ticket distribution begins at 9:15
Ruby G. Schulman Auditorium
Carlsbad City Library complex,
1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad

In the music world, a "return engagement" signifies a big hit! So what can we say about our Opera Previews, now in their 12th year, except "Bravo, Ron"! Since 2001, Dr. Ron Shaheen, our revered Professor of Musicology, has introduced us to Aida, Carmen, Mimi, Butterfly, Figaro, Faust, Fidelio and 40 other famous leading roles. Each year he's shown us the traits and tricks of the composers, the styles of each era and the cultures from which these amazing works spring. Best of all, Ron shows us why opera remains such a beloved art form.

So what's in store for Opera Preview fans this season? All the stuff that makes opera fabulous: a dark Biblical drama from two gigantic artists, one of America's greatest novels rendered anew in music, Italian farce in an Old West saloon, and the most famous man to ever wield a scissors and an aria. Dr. Shaheen will share the thrill of the music, the secrets tucked between the notes, some samples of these operas' greatest singers, and a little backstage gossip we can pass along during intermission.

Opera Previews are made possible by the Carlsbad Library and Arts Foundation's Robert H. Gartner Cultural Endowment Fund.

Opera Previews Saturdays at 10 a.m.

January 28	<i>Salome</i>	Richard Strauss
February 18	<i>Moby Dick</i>	Jake Heggie & Gene Scheer
March 10	<i>Don Pasquale</i>	Gaetano Donizetti
April 21	<i>The Barber of Seville</i>	Gioachino Rossini

The Opera Caravan

Departs Tuesdays and Sundays
Various dates • \$25
Carlsbad City Library complex
1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad

For some of us, the Opera Previews are the warm-up to the real thing, and in Carlsbad, getting there is easy with The Opera Caravan! The San Diego Opera offers comfortable, affordable round-trip coach service from the Carlsbad City Library to the San Diego Civic Center for Tuesday night and Sunday matinee performances.

Park free at the Carlsbad City Library (at Dove Lane) and ride round-trip to the opera for only \$25 per person. For information and reservations, call 619-533-7000.

The Opera Caravan

	TUESDAYS 5 P.M.	SUNDAYS NOON
<i>Salome</i>	January 31	February 5
<i>Moby Dick</i>	February 21	February 26
<i>Don Pasquale</i>	March 13	March 18
<i>The Barber of Seville</i>	April 24	April 29



Don Pasquale



Salome

2012 Community Arts Grants

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Sixteen recipients each got a great Christmas present at the end of 2011 – the news that their proposals had won funding through the Cultural Arts Office’s Community Arts Grants program. That’s a gift to every person in Carlsbad too, since these matching grants provide important support for concerts, plays, art classes, festivals and many other cultural activities that are open to the public.

Ten Arts Education projects were funded, each aimed at helping Carlsbad children or teens have arts experiences that involve them in creative learning and community performance. Six Carlsbad cultural organizations won support for their high-quality programs. Some of the recipients, like the two-day ArtSplash Festival and the Carlsbad Oceanside Art League’s monthly demonstrations by professional artists, are absolutely free to the public. Others – concerts by Mainly Mozart, plays by New Village Arts Theatre and the Carlsbad Community Theatre – offer top-quality cultural entertainment here in Carlsbad at half the price you’d pay in “the city” and without the hassle of driving and parking.

In all, \$25,000 was awarded for 2012, and every grant dollar is matched by a dollar or more by the presenting or sponsoring organizations. It all adds up to some tremendously exciting cultural programs being presented here in Carlsbad, so take advantage! For a full list of the 2012 recipients and their projects, go to our Web page at www.carlsbadca.gov/arts

The Symphony Bus

Departs Sundays at noon
Various dates • \$18
Carlsbad City Library complex
1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad

If your idea of great music leaves out the tenors, costumes and foreign languages, you’re still in luck! The San Diego Symphony has established its own bus service from the Carlsbad City Library to its Sunday afternoon concerts in the Jacobs Masterworks series. Park free at the Carlsbad City Library (at Dove Lane) and ride round trip to the symphony for only \$18 per person. For information and reservations, simply call SDSO Group Sales at 619-236-5403. All concerts are on Sundays at 2 p.m.

The Symphony Bus

SUNDAYS AT NOON

Lortie Plays Schumann	January 15
Faure’s <i>Requiem</i>	April 1
Parker Plays <i>Rhapsody in Blue</i>	May 6
Tchaikovsky’s <i>Pathetique</i>	May 13
Gutierrez Plays Rachmaninoff	May 27

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Far left: Pianist John Lill, presented by Mainly Mozart

Left: Animal Cracker Conspiracy to perform at 2012 ArtSplash

Exhibitions

The 2012 Cannon Invitational

JANUARY 22 - MARCH 11, 2012



Clockwise from top: Works by Becky Guttin, Roy Jenuine, Robert Ecker, Robert Nelson, Sasha Koozel Reibstein

Since the William D. Cannon Art Gallery opened its doors 12 years ago, the gallery has shown the work of hundreds of local artists in its Juried exhibitions. By their very nature, these exhibitions are lively and eclectic presentations that include a large number of artists, media and styles. Artists usually have only one or two works included in a Juried exhibition – enough to whet a visitor's appetite perhaps, but not enough to get a full appreciation of the artist's style or direction.

So in 2004, we made a change: we began to hold the large, sprawling Juried exhibitions every other year (a Biennial), and in the alternating years, we presented an Invitational exhibition. The Invitational is just like it sounds: our Curator of Exhibitions, Karen McGuire, selects – or invites – four artists from the previous year's Juried show, and presents a larger number of works by these artists, thereby giving visitors a chance to see these artists' work in greater depth. (It sounds a lot more complicated than it actually is.)

This year marks the fifth time we present the Invitational exhibition, and Karen has chosen five artists (instead of the usual four):

Robert Ecker, Escondido, paintings,
Becky Guttin, San Diego, installation work
Roy Jenuine, Encinitas, sculpture, assemblage and furniture

Robert Nelson, San Diego, graphite drawings
Sasha Koozel Reibstein, San Marcos, ceramics

As the list makes clear, this exhibition includes work in a wide variety of disciplines and areas of interest. So stop by (remember, there's no admission charge): here's your chance to see some of the best work being done in San Diego County today in the beautiful setting of the Cannon Art Gallery.



Joe Brubaker: The Exquisite Garden

APRIL 1 – JUNE 24, 2012

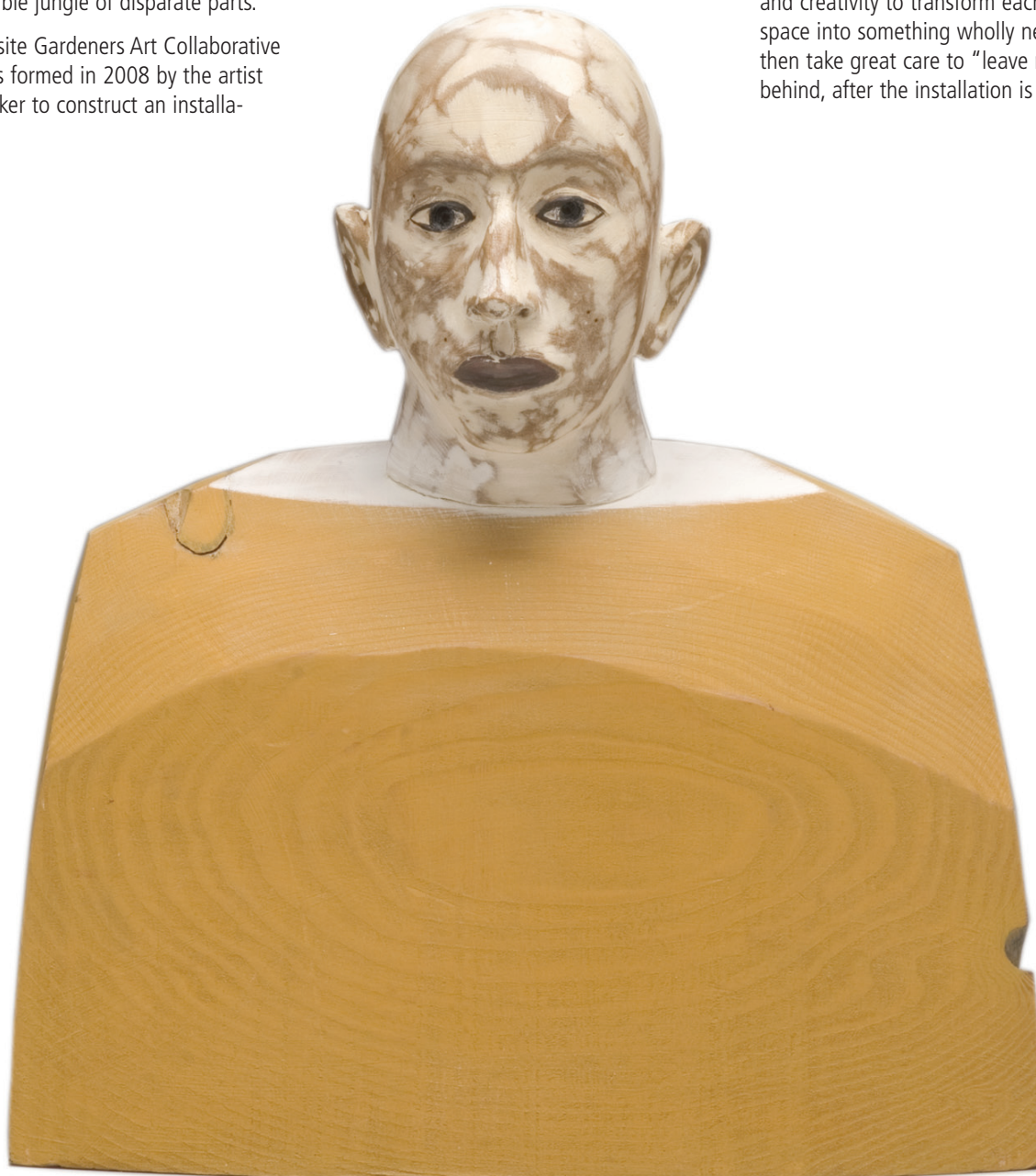
This spring, Bay area artist Joe Brubaker and a group of visiting artists will collaborate with local artists and students to transform the Cannon Art Gallery into a unique installation called *The Exquisite Garden*. The artists and designers will use a collection of found objects, discarded materials and scrap metal, along with figurative sculptures by Brubaker, to make a completely new work – a “garden” – out of a veritable jungle of disparate parts.

The Exquisite Gardeners Art Collaborative group was formed in 2008 by the artist Joe Brubaker to construct an installa-

tion at the Donna Seager Gallery in San Rafael, California. Then in December 2009, the group installed the *Exquisite Garden Project* at the Bakersfield Museum, adapting and expanding its original design from the previous year.

Now this core group of “gardeners” is coming to Carlsbad. Comprised of 12 people, the group includes sculptors, stone-

masons, carpenters, painters, writers and students. The Exquisite Gardeners believe in reusing the throwaway materials from our culture (put more simply – junk) and creating thematic installations from this raw material, much of it rescued from the waterways and shorelines of the California coast. Bringing their own tools, materials and expertise to the site, Joe Brubaker and the Exquisite Gardeners use their energies and creativity to transform each exhibition space into something wholly new, and then take great care to “leave no trace” behind, after the installation is over.



Coming this Spring

Family Open Studios PLUS

Saturday, February 11

Carlsbad City Library complex,
Courtyard and Schulman Auditorium

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Performances at 11:45 a.m. and 1:15 p.m.
Free

Come join our very popular hands-on art-making event designed for all ages! First, you'll tour the *2012 Cannon Invitational* exhibition in the William D. Cannon Art Gallery. Then you'll work with our arts educators and talented volunteers on a specially designed art project related to the exhibition. Finally, you get to take your completed work of art home (or to the frame shop). All materials and workspace are provided. No reservations required and stay as long as you like!

Also on February 11, we're presenting another great "PLUS" program. Heather Dale Wentworth, artistic director of Opus Mixtus Dance, brings her Carlsbad-based, post-jazz dance company to the Schulman for two exciting performances of contemporary dance works.

Contemporary art in the Cannon, contemporary dance in the Schulman – it all promises to be a great day filled with art and fun.

P.S. Save the date for our next Family Open Studios program taking place on Saturday, May 19!

Family Open Studios is funded by the Carlsbad Friends of the Arts. "PLUS" programs are made possible by the Carlsbad Library and Arts Foundation's Robert H. Gartner Cultural Endowment Fund.

Time to Start Planning

It's not too early to start thinking about summer arts camps! Cultural Arts Office summer camps offer children ages seven to 12 a unique opportunity to explore their interests in visual arts, theatre and nature.

Begin looking for our brochures with more information about our Creative Arts Camp program, as well as our Club Pelican camps, at the end of March. Camp brochures may be found on our city's website, at both library locations, and at other city locations. Registration for Carlsbad residents and non-residents will take place in April.

And remember, you can always get the latest news and information about our arts programs and offerings at www.carlsbadca.gov/arts

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Opus Mixtus Dance



Some Great Jazz...

and It's Not Even Summer Yet

This Is Jazz! Returns

Saturdays at 4 p.m. • Free
Ticket distribution begins at 3 p.m.
Doors open at 3:45 p.m.
Ruby G. Schulman Auditorium
Carlsbad City Library complex
1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad

Among our city's top priorities is promoting lifelong learning, and last year's four-part series on the history of jazz was a perfect programming example, attracting full houses of eager learners of all ages. So as soon as last year's program ended, we started working with host Dirk Sutro to plan for another series in 2012. Sutro, author of *Jazz for Dummies*, not only brings a deep knowledge of the subject matter to these programs, but also some superb and often hard-to-find

examples of music culled from his vast personal collection of media. And... Dirk also brings along some friends – some of San Diego's finest practitioners of the art form. Together, they share ideas, stories and live music in a seamless 90-minute program (with no intermission). Some structure, some improv – kind of like jazz itself!

The 2012 lineup offers some exciting subjects with fabulous musicians to explore them. We've timed it so you can get all your weekend errands done and then settle down with us for some serious fun. And you'll still have the evening left to go hear more music perhaps...

This is Jazz! is made possible by the Carlsbad Library and Arts Foundation's Robert H. Gartner Cultural Endowment Fund.

International Guitar Night

Monday, Jan. 23 • 7 p.m.
Ruby G. Schulman Auditorium
\$20 General, \$15 Members of
Carlsbad Friends of the Arts and
Museum of Making Music
Tickets available at 760-438-5996 or
www.museumofmakingmusic.org

The Cultural Arts Office joins forces with the Museum of Making Music for this – now annual, and tremendously popular – concert. Four of the world's foremost guitarists perform their latest works and then exchange musical ideas. For 2012, founder Brian Gore invites a new cast of guitar luminaries to join him: England's Adrian Legg, Germany's Lulo Reinhardt, and Marco Pereira from Brazil. Adrian is a legend for the variety of styles and sounds he coaxes from his custom electric guitar. Lulo is a master showman, flavoring the Gypsy Swing of his legendary forebear Django Reinhardt with his unique style of Latin music. Marco is a multi-dimensional virtuoso, with a repertoire ranging from lightning-fast percussive compositions to Samba to classic Brazilian waltzes.

IGN's musicians are leaders in their genres, and the resulting give-and-take among these stellar players creates a unique and dazzling soundscape. The Schulman's intimate size and the extremely affordable price for these virtuoso players make International Guitar Night a do-not-miss event for anyone who loves the guitar... or just great music... so be sure to get your tickets in advance.

This program is made possible by the Carlsbad Library and Arts Foundation's Robert H. Gartner Cultural Endowment Fund.

This is Jazz! Program Lineup

DATE	TOPIC	GUEST ARTIST
February 18	Great Jazz Vocalists	Jan Mann, with guitarist Bruce Forman
March 24	West Coast Jazz	Gilbert Castellanos Quartet (trumpet)
April 21	Jazz Guitar	Peter Sprague
May 19	Electric Jazz	Lynn Willard Quartet (piano)

Lynn Willard



Peter Sprague



Lulo Reinhardt





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Useful Information

The Cultural Arts Office and the Sculpture Garden are located at 2955 Elmwood, just a few steps north of the Cole Library.

Mailing address: 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad, CA 92008

Phone: 760-434-2920

Office hours:

Monday-Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The William D. Cannon Art Gallery and the Ruby G. Schulman Auditorium are located in the Carlsbad City Library complex at 1775 Dove Lane Carlsbad, CA 92011

Gallery hours:

Tuesday - Saturday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Phone: 760-602-2021

For up-to-date information about Arts Office programs, call the Arts Info Line: 760-434-2904 or check us out on the city's website: www.carlsbadca.gov/arts

Upcoming News

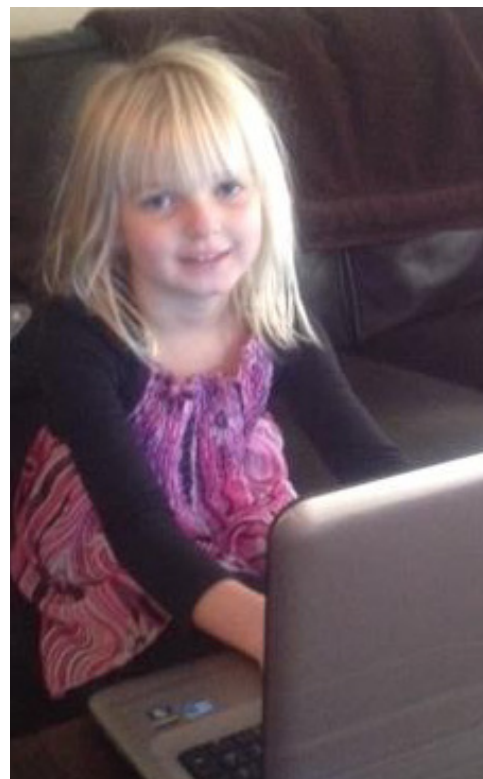
E-Mail Announcements

Don't miss out on all the great programs and activities presented by the Cultural Arts Office. Sign up now to receive up-to-the-minute e-mail announcements about programs, special events, exhibitions, and much more!

To sign up, send your e-mail address and full name to: carrie.jones@carlsbadca.gov and please put "e-mail sign-up" in the subject line. It's that easy.

Reminder

The Carlsbad Friends of the Arts (CFA) annual meeting will be held on Friday, January 27, at 5:30 p.m. at the Museum of Making Music, 5790 Armada Drive, Carlsbad. All CFA members are invited to join the Board of Directors at the organization's Annual Meeting. Elections for Board leadership will take place, as well as a vote on revisions to the current By-Laws. Not a CFA member yet? What are you waiting for? Sign up today. See page 1 for more details!



Even Ruby is "signing up" to receive our e-mail announcements. You should too!